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In re application of

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Akiko MIYANO, et al.

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For: PRESSURE-SENSITIVE ADHESIVE TAPE

**STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)**

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98**

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants hereby notify the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) form and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith, along with a copy of the foreign patent office communication, except for the following: U.S. patents and/or U.S. patent publications; and co-pending non-provisional U.S. applications filed after June 30, 2003.

- 1. JP 11-149254 (with abstract)**
- 2. JP 2002-55333 (with abstract)**
- 3. Masaru IBONAI, Nenchakuzai-katsuyo Note (Note for putting pressure-sensitive adhesives to practical use), Kogyo Cyosakai Publishing, Inc., June 20, 1991, Second Issue, Pages 8-12**

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the later of three months from the application's filing date and the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, but before a Final Office Action, Notice of Allowance, or an action that otherwise closes

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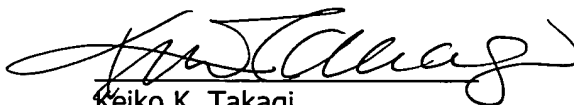
prosecution in the application (whichever is earlier), and therefore Applicant is filing concurrently herewith a Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e). No fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, English abstracts for JP 11-149254 and JP 2002-55333 are submitted herewith. In addition, Applicants submit that Masaru IBONAI, Nenchakuzai-katsuyo Note (Note for putting pressure-sensitive adhesives to practical use), Kogyo Cyosakai Publishing, Inc., June 20, 1991, Second Issue, Pages 8-12 generally discloses a pressure-sensitive adhesive tape.

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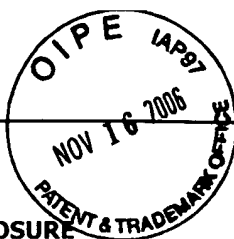
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